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For: OPTICAL SIGNAL TRANSMISSION BETWEEN A HEARING  
PROTECTOR MUFF AND AN EAR-PLUG RECEIVER

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Please advise us of the status of the above-referenced patent application. This application was filed on January 30, 2002, and the United States Patent Office has issued no Action since that date.

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